

| Form PTO-1449 (Rev. 7-80) 42-44F (F-49) | | U.S. Department of Commerce Patent and Trademark Office | | Atty. Docket No.: F-6461 | | Serial No.: 09/516,718 | | | | | | |
|--|----------|--|----|------------------------------|---|------------------------|----------|---------------------------------|----------|-------------------------------|--|-----|
| | | | | Applicant: Hajime ODA et al. | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | Filing Date: March 1, 2000 | | Group: 2764 2854 | | | | | | |
| U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Examiner Initial | Initials | Document Number <i>O P E J C</i> JUN 07 2001 | | | | Date | Name | Class | Subclass | Filing Date If Appropriate | | |
| | | 8 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 11/17/98 | Schmidt et al. | | <i>RECEIVED</i> | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | <i>JUN 11 2001</i> | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | <i>Technology Center 2100</i> | | |
| FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Document Number | | | | Date | Country | Class | Subclass | Translation | | |
| | | DE | 32 | 2 | 6 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 01/26/84 | Germany | | X |
| | | 8- | 1 | 7 | 0 | 9 | 8 | 6 | 07/02/96 | Japan | | * X |
| | | 4- | 6 | 8 | 9 | 2 | 7 | | 03/04/92 | Japan | | * X |
| | | | | | | | | | | * English Abstract | | |
| OTHER PRIOR ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| EXAMINER <i>Hajime Oda</i> | | | | | | | | DATE CONSIDERED <i>12/14/01</i> | | | | |
| EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. | | | | | | | | | | | | |

EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.